

# Part 573 Safety Recall Report

# 16V-343

**Manufacturer Name :** Ford Motor Company**Submission Date :** MAY 23, 2016**NHTSA Recall No. :** 16V-343**Manufacturer Recall No. :** 16C09**Manufacturer Information :**

Manufacturer Name : Ford Motor Company

Address : 330 Town Center Drive

Suite 500 Dearborn MI 48126-2738

Company phone : 1-866-436-7332

**Population :**

Number of potentially involved : 5

Estimated percentage with defect : 100 %

**Vehicle Information :**

Vehicle 1 : 2016-2016 Lincoln MKX

Vehicle Type : LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style :

Power Train : NR

**Descriptive Information :** The child seat tether anchor in the second row center seating position is inadvertently concealed by the seat trim cover.

These vehicles are not produced in VIN order. Information as to the applicability of this action to specific vehicles can best be obtained by either calling Ford's toll-free line (1-866-436-7332) or by contacting a local Ford or Lincoln dealer who can obtain specific information regarding the vehicles from the Ford On-line Automotive Service Information System (OASIS) database.

Production Dates : SEP 24, 2015 - SEP 24, 2015

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

 Not sequential**Description of Noncompliance :**

**Description of the Noncompliance :** An incorrect seat back trim cover was installed on the second row seats of the subject vehicles, inadvertently concealing the second row center seat tether anchor that is used to secure a child seat.

FMVSS 225 S4.4 (a) (2) specifies that "Each vehicle shall be equipped with a tether anchorage conforming to the requirements of S6 at a third forward-facing rear designated seating position."

FMVSS 225 S6.1 (b) specifies that the tether "Be accessible without the need for any tools other than a screwdriver or coin"

Ford is not aware of any reports of accident or injury related to this condition.

FMVSS 1 : 225 - Child restraint anchorage systems

FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : As built, these vehicles do not comply with FMVSS 225. An improperly anchored child seat can increase the risk of injury in an accident.

Description of the Cause : NR

Identification of Any Warning  
that can Occur : NR

## Supplier Identification :

### Component Manufacturer

Name : Magna International Incorporated

Address : 400 Courtney Park Drive East  
Mississauga FOREIGN STATES L5T 2S5

Country : Canada

## Chronology :

On May 10, 2016, Ford's Critical Concern Review Group (CCRG) was informed that certain vehicles were built with the second row center child seat tether anchor concealed by the seat back trim cover. The CCRG reviewed and elevated the concern.

On May 16, 2016, Ford's Field Review Committee reviewed the concern and approved a field action.

## Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : Owners will be notified by mail and instructed to take their vehicle to a Ford or Lincoln dealer to have the affected seat back trim cover for the second row seat replaced and a tether cover bezel installed. There will be no charge for this service.

Ford is excluding reimbursement for costs because the original warranty program would provide for a free repair for this concern.

Ford will forward a copy of the notification letters to dealers to the agency when available.

How Remedy Component Differs  
from Recalled Component : NR

Identify How/When Recall Condition  
was Corrected in Production : NR

**Recall Schedule :**

Description of Recall Schedule : Notification to dealers is expected to occur on June 13, 2016. Mailing of owner notification letters is expected to begin May 24, 2016 and is expected to be completed by May 24, 2016.

Planned Dealer Notification Date : MAY 24, 2016 - MAY 24, 2016

Planned Owner Notification Date : JUN 13, 2016 - JUN 13, 2016

\* NR - Not Reported